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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were higher in the West, and unchanged in the East and Midwest. Trade sentiment was mixed, but overall at least steady to instances firm. Retail and food service demand was slow to moderate, at times good into fast food channels and restaurants. Supplies of all sizes were in good balance to well cleared for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was at least moderate to good. Wings were short and continued to move strong. The remaining items were no more than adequate to tight and frequently moving at premium levels. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

Preliminary report Prices negotated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 22-JAN-2007 (cents per lb) US GRADE A

(Incl	uding branded pro	WID					
<u>AREAS</u>	MAJORITY	RANGE	<u>AVG</u>	LOADS			
Delivered to Firs	st Receivers						
Chicago	65.00-68.00	62.00-75.00	67.98	29			
New York	68.00-71.00						
Los Angeles	79.00						
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent							
Mississippi	71.00-73.00	64.00-79.00	71.21	89			

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 71.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR

		EQUIVALENT
<u>LOADS</u>	RANGE	FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
965 6	3.00-72.75	71.26
Georgia f.o.b. dock cor	nfirmed prelimina	ry weighted average price on ice-
packed parts:	WTD. AVG.	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	170.50	1,180
BREASTS - B/S	147.50	5,393
BREASTS - WHOLE	91.00	1,209
THIGH MEAT - B/S	97.00	1,062
LEG QUARTERS	35.00	8,276
WINGS	129.50	2,583

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

SOUTHERN BROILER Trade sentiment was mixed, but at least steady. Demand entering the weekend was fair to moderate, best for retail ads and fast food specials. Supplies of all sizes were in good balance to well cleared for trade needs. In the parts structure, interest was moderate to good. Wings were short of an active call, and continued to move well. Breast items were barely adequate to tight and held with confidence. Dark meat was no more than adequate with bone-in cuts in the closest position. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-tocook whole broiler/fryers was moderate to at least moderate entering the weekend. Offerings of all sizes were adequate to well cleared. Retail and distributive movement was fair. Fast food interest was noted as fair to moderate. The market tone was steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items, wings and tenders were well cleared to short. Other items were no better than adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices were 1 cent higher throughout the region. Early trading was limited with prices reported at unchanged to higher levels. Offerings were in fair balance with current needs. Buyers' interest was fair. Retailer demand was moderate overall, best where featured. Dealers anticipated moderate weekend carryovers. The market tone on parts was steady to firm, with white meat items in the strongest position.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majorities were unchanged in Chicago and too few to report in other markets. Whole broiler market tone was mostly steady. Offers were sufficient for very limited trade needs. Retail and food service movement was noted as slow to moderate, occasionally good into fast food and restaurants. Floor stocks were adequate; weights desirable. Parts trade continued to be limited to hand to mouth, offering were light for the most part. The market tone was steady to fully steady on bone-in leg cuts and fully steady to firm on remaining parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderate to good entering the weekend. Seller offerings were in good balance to well cleared for current needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 69 to 79 cents. Trade sentiment ranged steady to fully steady. In the parts complex, wings were short of immediate needs and continued to clear easily. The balance of items were no more than adequate to tight.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY IINCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE		61-84
WEIGHTED AVERAGE		(A)
NO. OF BOXES		(A)
CUMULATIVE	01/15/07 - 01/19/07	(A)
	01/16/06 - 01/20/06	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	01/15/07 - 01/19/07	(A)
	01/16/06 - 01/20/06	(A)

(A) NOT REPORTED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS

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JAN 18		SO	UTHERN STA	TES BROI	LER/FR	YER PARTS				JAN 19
	POUNDS	;		WTD	POUND	S			WEEKL	Y
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>(000)</u>	RANGE	MAJORITY	<u>AVG</u>	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000) W	TD AVG
BREAST - B/S	567 12	27.00-199.00	-	134.51	585	125.00-200.00	-	138.28	2,401	134.77
TENDERLOINS	218 13	30.00-197.00	134-139	137.44	263	132.00-205.00	-	148.92	857	140.80
BREAST - LINE RUN	96	82.00-92.00	85-87	87.91	Т	OO FEW TO REF	PORT		338	84.61
FRONTHALVES	TC	O FEW TO RE	PORT		Т	OO FEW TO REF	PORT		200	71.75
LEGS	TC	O FEW TO RE	PORT		Т	OO FEW TO REI	PORT		426	48.74
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	575	31.00-37.00	33-34	33.31	614	30.00-37.00	34	34.03	2,339	33.66
LEG QUARTERS (4/10) 849	31.00-39.00	35-36	35.44	837	33.00-38.00	36	36.01	3,271	35.64
WINGS (WHOLE)	305 1	19.00-127.00	121-125	123.46	335	118.00-136.00	119-122	123.19	1,250	121.30
WINGS (CUT)	TC	O FEW TO RE	PORT		275	137.00-146.00	140-144	142.24	870	139.41
DRUMSTICKS	TC	O FEW TO RE	PORT		Т	OO FEW TO REF	PORT		266	36.91
THIGHS	TC	O FEW TO RE	PORT		Т	OO FEW TO REF	PORT		116	39.04
B/S THIGHS	TC	O FEW TO RE	PORT		Т	OO FEW TO REF	PORT		320	91.63
WHOLE BODY INDEX BA	*********** \SED ON	SOUTHERN S	TATES PARTS	****** S	**********	E BODY INDEX E	**************************************	OUTHERN'S	TATES PAR	r****** ΓS
TRADING FOR JAN 18, 2	2007 F.C).B. DOCK.			TRADI	NG FOR JAN 19	, 2007 F.O.B	B. DOCK.		
RANGE	TODAY'S	<u>AVERAGE</u>			I	RANGE	TODAY'S A	<u>VERAGE</u>	5-DAY A	/ERAGE
51.00 - 55.50 The Index is intended solely	as an ind	53.01 icator of values	for commodity-	type produ	51 ct and do	.00 - 56.50 bes not represent i	industry's willing	54.13 gness to sell	or ability to bu	52.73 Jy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS - Trucklot buying interest remained moderately good to good entering the weekend. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts, tenders and drums were in good balance to tight. Wings and bone-in breasts continued short of currents needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was firm for breast items, wings and tenders; at least steady to firm on the balance of items.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

JAN 18	CURRENT NEG	WTD		CURRENT NEG	WTD		WEF	JAN 19 EKLY
ITEM	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	TRADING*	AVG**	VOL/LBS	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	140-145	127.24	684,158	145	129.53	723,280	127.52	3,059,881
TENDERLOINS	135-140	126.80	220,950	140	123.17	297,714	126.40	998,903
BREAST - WITH RIBS	81-82	84.69	98,200	82-83	90.12	76,840	86.04	384,380
BREAST - LINE RUN	81	83.76	82,800	82	84.93	82,800	83.09	408,600
LEGS	49-50	49.36	238,000	49-50	49.34	251,800	49.01	1,026,560
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	35-36	33.70	369,600	35-36	33.95	365,840	33.75	1,589,160
DRUMSTICKS	41-42	39.49	115,600	42-43	41.05	181,960	40.96	505,050
THIGHS	41-42	48.10	64,600	41-42	48.92	67,840	47.93	297,920
B/S THIGHS	100-101	94.78	105,120	100-101	96.66	112,880	96.96	423,960
WINGS (WHOLE)	126-127	123.92	186,120	127-128	125.87	182,120	123.89	909,760
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIF	PPED) 10-12	11.44	25,600	10-12	11.08	66,400	11.40	160,080
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	37.94	9,360	35-40	39.50	7,880	38.86	44,560
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	55.38	8,520	50-55	54.35	19,760	54.05	106,360
INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. A	AREA, NORTHERN N	J, MA, CT, R	I, & PA (NORTHEA	ST OF HARRISBURG).* NEG. SAI	LES AS OF 11:30 A.M		

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)								
				-		-		AVG
	ESTIN	<u>IATED</u>	AC1	ΓUAL	<u>AVG</u>	WT	ACTUAL	<u>WTS</u>
	01/19	01/18	01/17	01/16	01/17	01/16	01/12	01/10
Alabama	3,661	3,748	3,438	3,869	5.73	5.55	3,814	5.60
Arkansas	5,129	4,716	4,937	4,581	5.20	5.26	5,001	5.19
Delmarva	2,245	2,288	2,255	2,317	5.76	5.74	2,911	5.96
KY-LA-TN	2,233	2,341	2,297	2,320	5.09	5.20	2,285	4.90
Mississippi	3,150	2,961	2,863	2,937	5.82	5.87	2,942	5.44
North Carolin	na 3,300	2,745	2,664	2,699	6.87	6.87	3,158	6.89
Texas	2,510	2,496	2,443	2,287	5.27	5.30	2,542	5.44
Total	22,228	21,295	20,897	21,010	5.64	5.66	22,653	5.59
Mon-Fri	101,262(A)					109,143(A)	
Saturday	1,148(included i	n total for	date sho	wn)		1,168	
(A) Weekly	(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal							

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 19-Jan-07 and 20-Jan-07 is estimated to be 33,256,000 head down 2.17 percent from a week ago and down -1.50 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 33,993,000, last year 33,762,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the weekending 20-Jan-07 is estimated to be 150,412,000 head down 6.23 percent from a week ago, and down 2.64 percent from a year ago. (Last week 160,409,000, last year 154,485,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS							
		<u>RANGE</u>					
FRESH FRYERS		91-100					
ROASTERS 4# & UP		99-108					
HENS UNDER 5#		-					
HENS OVER 5#		65-74					
DUCKS		-					
RABBITS-WHOLE		-					
RABBITS-CUT UP		-					
SAN FRANCISCO PROCESS	ED POULTRY						
DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS	AND INSTITUT	IONS					
		RANGE					
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	93-105					
	DRY PACK	110-114					
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	98					
	DRY PACK	111-118					
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	86-100					
	DRY PACK	100-107					
DUCKS		190-195					

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection,

Week ending 13-Jan-07 (B) (C) (D) (A) 4.25 lbs 4.26-6.26-7.76 lbs 7.75 lbs & down 6.26 lbs & up **Total** (Preliminary) -Thousands-160.409 Head 42,431 83,697 24,265 10.016 Avg Live Wgt 3.84 5.44 6.94 8.21 5.42 % of total /1 27% 52% 15% 6% 100% Comparisons Last week 35,209 134,317 69,455 18,285 11,368 Avg Live Wgt 3.86 5.41 7.01 8.42 5.43 % of total /1 14% 8% 100% 26% 52% Year Ago 2/ 52,907 75,017 23.973 15,405 167.302 Avg Live Wgt 5.35 3.77 5.42 6.73 8.28 % of total /1 100% 32% 45% 14% 9% To date/2007 77.640 153,152 42,550 21.384 294,726 To date/2006 93,248 146,762 47,153 30,165 317,328

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 13-Jan-07

	YOUNG	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL	
	CHICKENS	HENS	HENS	HENS	DUCKS
(Preliminary) —		THOU	JSANDS		
Head	160,409	1,141	1,285	2,426	544
Avg Wt	5.42	3.21	7.77	5.63	6.68
Last week	134,317	886	1,326	2,212	523
Same wk yr ago	167,302	1,487	1,349	2,836	470
Avg Wt	5.35	3.34	7.90	5.51	6.63
To-date/2007	294,726	2,027	2,611	4,638	1,067
To-date/2006	317,328	2,762	2,749	5,511	965

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 155.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 162.4 million head, or 7.0 million more than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SI AUGHTER/FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

ESTIMATED	<u>U.S. I</u>	FRIER SLAUGHIL	<u> NITRI EN AVAILA</u>	DILIT I C	<u>OIVIPANISON</u>
		MILLION HEAD	MILLION HEAD		AVG
WEEK ENDING		SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABLE	PCT	WT
December	9	165.3	156.6	106%	5.49
	16	162.1	156.8	103%	5.31
	23	161.5	153.4	105%	5.37
	30	135.5	149.2	91%	5.43
January	6	135.9	150.0	91%	5.48
	13	162.4	155.4	105%	5.42
Year to date		298.3	305.4	98%	
January	20		159.8		
	27		161.9		

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER Under Federal Inspection

THOUSANDS								
W/E	01/20/07	01/13/06	%CHG	01/21/06	%CHG			
Broilers	150,412	160,409*	-6.23	154,485*	-2.64			
Cattle	613	594	+03	605*	+01			
Hogs	2,073	2,105	-02	2,104*	-01			
*ACTUAL								

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 15-JAN-2007 **DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS. US** GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ORIGIN LONG ISLAND MOSTLY	FROZEN 155-159	FRESH 161-165
MIDWEST MOSTLY	136-146	138-148

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS. US GRADE AAND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED, **CENTS PER POUND**

RANGE **MOSTLY**

ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX) 60.00-73.00 69.00-73.00 VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX) 72.00-86.00 74.00-79.00

SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES

> 12 OZ. 62.64 - 85.05 14 OZ. 69.12 - 96.39 16 OZ. 74.88 -106.73

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES:

CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA RI, SC, VA, VT & WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was good to very good due to the upcoming Chinese New Year. Supplies were balanced to at times tight. Schedules were full-time for next week. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$4.50-5.25, bone in legs at \$1.45-2.40, gizzards at \$1.20-1.40, wings at \$.60-.70, livers at \$.95-1.70, and feet at \$.55-.90.

DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 15-JAN-2007

ORIGIN FROZEN FRESH MIDWEST AND OTHERS 122-146 130-148

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - January 16, 2007

*AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY**

7 7 2				
Prices paid per pound, except as noted.	<u>R</u> /	<u> </u>	<u>GE</u>	
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.80	-	.90	
Chukars	2.85	-	2.90ea.	
Pekin Ducks		-	2.00ea.	
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.30	-	.50	
Red Fowl 5-6 LBS	.50	-	.80	
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.50	-	.75	
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	.70	-	1.00	
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.60	-	.70	
Guinea Fowl	1.70	-	1.80	
Banty Roosters	1.50	-	2.75ea.	
Banty Hens	1.00	-	1.25ea.	
Leghorn Hens	1.00	-	1.10ea.	
Leghorn Roosters	2.25	-	2.50ea.	
Silkies	1.50	-	1.75ea.	
Pigeons	2.75	-	3.10ea.	
White Pigeons	3.25	-	3.75ea.	
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.80	-	2.80	
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	1.50	-	1.90	
Bunnies	2.00	-	7.00ea.	
Guinea Pigs	3.50	-	6.50ea.	
Doves	3.25	-	3.75ea.	
Muscovy Ducks - Hens	.80	-	.90	
Total Coops Sold 320				

^{/1} May not total to 100% due to rounding.

^{/2} Comparable week.

Weight Class Description:

⁽A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.

⁽B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.

⁽C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors. (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading for heavy canners were too few to report; generally unchanged on lights when compared to the previous week. Offerings of both light and heavy canners were generally sufficient for current needs with most available supplies of heavy canners being used internally. Demand was fair to moderate. Processing schedules were normal to less than normal. The undertone was steady to at least steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 18-28 MAJORITY 24-24.5

HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)

TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) 20-30 MAJORITY 26.5-27

HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)

TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS (INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HENS Prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged light to moderate. Offerings were adequate to at least adequate for current needs. Processing schedules were normal to instances less than normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

RANGE MAJORITY

REMOVAL COST 5-12 8-10

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS Trading was limited and TFEWR. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were reduced. Disposal costs were expected to remain steady.

RANGE **MAJORITY REMOVAL COST** TOO FEW TO REPORT

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HENS All prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate to instances fully adequate with demand seasonally light to moderate. Schedules were full-time for next week. Trade sentiment steady.

MAJORITY RANGE REMOVAL COST 7-9 4.5-9

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 22-JAN-07

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was moderate for adequate supplies of heavy hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

RANGE MAJORITY

MAJORITY

AT FARM BUYER LOADING

TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report prices. Offerings were noted as fair to mostly moderate for the adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week were noted as normal. Sales of finished product moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

RANGE AT FARM BUYER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT **FOB PLANT** TOO FEW TO REPORT

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